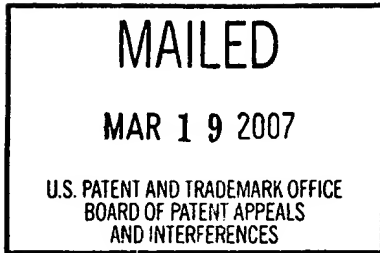


UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

BEFORE THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS
AND INTERFERENCES



Ex parte LORI GREINER

Application No. 09/824,937

ORDER RETURNING UNDOCKETED APPEAL TO EXAMINER

This application was electronically received at the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences on November 13, 2006. A review of the application has revealed that the application is not ready for docketing as an appeal. Accordingly, the application is herewith being returned to the examiner. The matter requiring attention prior to docketing is identified below:

Appellants filed an Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) on March 17, 2006. It is not clear from the record whether the examiner considered the statement submitted or whether the examiner notified appellants of why their submission did not meet the criteria set forth in 37 CFR §§ 1.97 and 1.98 as the examiner has not initialed next to each of the references nor signed and dated the 1449 of the IDS. Correction is required.


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Accordingly, it is

ORDERED that the application is being returned to the Examiner

- 1) to consider the IDS filed March 17, 2006, to mail a copy of the considered IDS to appellants,
- 2) and for such further action as may be appropriate.

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